State of Delaware, Office of Management and Budget, Statewide Benefits Office

MEDICARE ENROLLMENT INFORMATION FOR ACTIVE EMPLOYEES, PENSIONERS AND COVERED SPOUSES

MEDICARE DEFINITIONS

Medicare Part A	Hospital Insurance	No premium
Medicare Part B	Medical (Doctors, Outpatient, Test)	Premium charged
Medicare Part D	Prescription Coverage	Premium charged
	NOTE: Member may not have SOD	
	prescription coverage if enrolled in Part D	

ACTIVE EMPLOYEES

Member must select the State of Delaware plan as the primary plan or coverage will be terminated.

SITUATION	PART A REQUIRED?	PART B REQUIRED?
Active employee is turning 65 SOD plan remains primary	YES	*NO
Active employee any age, retired or disabled spouse already covered turning 65 SOD plan remains primary	YES	*NO
Active employee any age adds retired or disabled spouse who is already 65 SOD plan remains primary	YES	*NO
Active employee any age, spouse on Disability with Medicare coverage.	YES	**YES (if required under disability rules)

^{*} Employee or spouse is not required to enroll in Part B under the State plan. Medicare does not pay secondary claims. Effective 7/1/2011, retiring spouse is required to enroll in employer's retiree health care if eligible. (See Spousal Coordination of Benefits Policy)

EXCEPTION: Employee or spouse with End State Renal Disease (needs dialysis) must enroll in Medicare Part A and B when eligible. See Eligibility and Enrollment Rules # 4.08b.

PENSIONERS

Medical plan for Medicare recipients changes to Special Medicfill. Medicare is primary coverage. Pensioner and spouse may have separate individual coverage if only one member is Medicare eligible.

SITUATION	PART A REQUIRED?	PART B REQUIRED?	PART D ALLOWED?
Pensioner turning 65 or eligible for Medicare due to disability	YES	YES	NO*
Pensioner is under 65 and spouse is turning 65 or eligible for Medicare due to disability	YES for spouse	YES for spouse	NO*
Pensioner is over 65 and spouse is turning 65 or eligible for Medicare due to disability	YES for both	YES for both	NO*

^{*} Unless Rx coverage is waived under Special Medicfill (available with or without Rx coverage).

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^{**} If enrolled in Part B, member must present the State of Delaware coverage as primary to all medical providers.